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Christmas at V u m

N the Island of Tum, where the

And the children are always at play, Chey never have neat little stockings to wear, So they run about barefoot all day. And when it is Christman and Banta Claus

he searches in vain for some stockings

N the Island of Tum, by the tropical sea Where people live right out of doors, Chey sleep in the shade of the cocoanut

When there aren't any stockings to find.

And cook on the sand covered shores But when it is Christmas and Santa appe De's sorry he made them a call, for how can be slide down the chimneys,

When there aren't any chimneys at all?



ON the Island of Yum there are thousands of trees, Che mango and banyan and date, So the children of Tum eat the fruit that they

And enjoy it, it's needless to state. But when poor old Santa comes every year he struggles in vain to heep calm, for popcorn and candles look awfully queer Then hung to a cocoanut palm.

If I on the Island of Tum were to live, Che children I'd merrily teach ; I'd build 'em all chimneys, and then I would give

H nice pair of stockings to each. And I'd send out a shipload of Christmas trees, too.

Addressed to the children by name And then you would see what a time there

Mhen Christman and Santa Claus came.

Mallace Irwin in New York Globe.

Talleypand as Cook Re a cook-same sort of cook, even s The British authorities gave him twenty-four hours' notice to quit London. and he embarked on a Danish vessel for America. The vessel was held up at sea by an English frigate. A searching party was sent on board. Talleyrand pleaded with the captain not to declare him, as he had no liking for the Tower of London. "I will pass you off as the ship's cook," said the officer. "There is nothing else." After some wry faces the prince consented and with a very !!! grace assumed the cotton cap, kitchen apron, carving knife and other appendages in keeping with his new office. When the English officer demanded if there were any French passengers on board the cap-tain replied, "Yes, one poor devil of a limping French cook." Being immediately called up for inspection, Talleyrand made his appearance, saucepan in hand and with such a piteous countenance that the Englishman laughed heartily and consented not to make a captive of him.-New York Press.

TORY OF A WOMAN'S LIFE.

Only a baby with fluttering velvety hands, rose-petal lips and dreamkissed eyes—love's evangel, a dainty, slumbering little queen whose every wish is anticipated and about whose throne the brightest and best of the real is gathered. Sleeping or waking, her rule is absolute, and love and loyalty are the watchwords of her subject -only a baby loved and caressed.

Only a little maid with windtossed curls, sun-browned cheeks, eyes that sparkle with delight or darken with the sorrow and mysteries of childhood-a little fledgling of the home, whose cheering ing song and winsome ways lighten woven such glorified dreams as rob wide open to the dawn.

ture whose richest tints will be Blest.-Richmond Missourian.

Only a wife, loved-an uncrow native dominion, the go character shines brightes the clouds of adversity hang

est. Comforter whose hand with equal tenderness have smoothed from the brow of manhood its lines of care and dried from the cheek of childhood its tears-only a wife, a womanly sovereign in the realm Only a mother, faded and oldthe once luxuriant hair is fast whitening and thin. The fullness and bloom of youth have given

the care, about whose future are place to the wrinkles and palor of age—the hands that once so deftly did service for others lack their aclabor of weariness and transform customed skill. The feet that sacrifices into privileges. Only a sped quickly on errands of love little maid with wonderful eyes move with the hesitancy of yearsbut the eyes, the beautiful win-Only a bride, white-robed and light, and like The King's Daughbeautiful, going away from a love ter," she is all glorious within. that is tried and true, to gladden Only a darling old mother with another home; to begin the new folded hands and face turned to untried life, the life of fond hopes and glorified dreams. A hush, a from Labor to Rest, waiting to few irrevocable words and the fu- cross over to the Home of the

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